REMARKS

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed January 29, 2007. Please replace the abstract with the attached abstract page as marked-up. The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' primary attorney-of-record, Anneliese S. Mayer, at (651) 795-

5661, if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers or any future reply, if appropriate. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501257.

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Respectfully submitted,

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